

Unbridled Spirit License Plate is Finalist for National Award

Kentucky's "Unbridled Spirit" standard-issue license plate is a finalist for the Automobile License Plate Collectors Association's (ALPCA) 2005 Best Plate award. The plate is one of twelve finalists for the Best Plate award. Voting is currently underway and will be completed in early March.

"The Unbridled Spirit plate offers a phenomenal opportunity to showcase the unbridled spirit brand," stated Secretary Nighbert. "The plate is clean, striking and emphasizes Kentucky's unbridled spirit. We are very excited about the new license plate. We feel it clearly represents the brand that the citizens of the commonwealth endorse."

New plates are judged on the basis of attractive design, legibility and how well the plate promotes the issuing state or province. The state or province whose plate is selected as the best of 2005 will be recognized at a special ceremony at the capitol, where ALPCA President Michael Naughton will present a special plaque to motor vehicle officials.

The other plates in the final 12 with Kentucky's Unbridled Spirit plate design are: Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia, and Yukon Territory.



Last year, Oklahoma's State Parks special issue plate was named Best Plate. ALPCA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of license plate collecting and research, and the exchange of information and plates, as well as all fraternal benefits of sharing a common hobby interest with others throughout the world.

Kentucky's former "smiley face" plate won ALPCA's Best Plate award in 2003.

Starting with the Northwest Territories polar bear in 1970, ALPCA members have selected the best new plate for each of the last 24 years. The club was founded in 1954 and is incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire.

KY COLONEL LICENSE PLATES NOW AVAILABLE ALL ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH



Kentucky Colonel License plates are now available at the offices of County Clerks throughout Kentucky.

The General Assembly enacted legislation in 2005, which specified new administrative regulations and application procedures for specialty license plates. Under the new law, a group requesting a special license plate must submit nine hundred applications for the plate before the Transportation Cabinet will begin the process of designing a new plate. The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels met that requirement in record time.

"They met all the conditions for a specialty plate in only ten days," said Commissioner of Vehicle Regulation, Roy Mundy. "Kentucky Colonels can be very proud of themselves for such a positive response. They set the bar very high with regard to meeting requirements for special issue plates."

The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels is an organization of men and women who have been commissioned as Kentucky Colonels by the Governor. The honor is bestowed because of the individual's service to mankind. The primary objective of the Order is to raise money for the support of charities, educational efforts and other worthy projects which will benefit Kentuckians.

The Order's Senior Ambassador and Chief Operating Officer, Glen Bastin, stressed the charitable nature of the organization and its members. "When people see the Kentucky Colonel license plate, they should know that the individual in that driver's seat is contributing to the betterment of Kentucky," Bastin said.

Commissioned Colonels, who are Kentucky residents, can get more information about these specialty plates by calling Colonel Glen Bastin at (502) 266-6114, or by visiting these web sites: www.kycolonels.org and transportation.ky.gov.